

2. (currently amended) A medical instrument according to claim 1, wherein the casing (12) has a recess (12a) of rectilinear cross-section for receiving the push pin (5), which is rectilinear in cross-section.

3. (currently amended) A medical instrument according to ~~either of claims 1 or 2~~ claim 1, wherein the diameter of the casing (12) corresponds at least to the maximum height of the push pin (5).

4. (currently amended) A medical instrument according to ~~any of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein, in order to displace the push pin (5) in the distal direction a pressure surface (3d) is configured on the rotatable gripping member (3b) for contacting a contact surface (5a) of the push pin (5).

5. (currently amended) A medical instrument according to claim 4, wherein, in order to displace the push pin (5) in the proximal direction a driving element (14) is mounted on the rotatable gripping member (3b), which element engages in a recess (5b) configured in the push pin (5).

6 (currently amended).A medical instrument according to ~~any of claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1, wherein the push pin (5) can be removed from the shaft (2) as a unit.